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Reply Brief

The reply brief filed on July 11, 2011 has been entered and considered. The application has been forwarded to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences for decision on the appeal.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to EDWARD WINSTON III whose telephone number is (571) 270-7780. The examiner can normally be reached on MONDAY-THURDAY; 11:00AM-8:00PM.

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